

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(Attorney Docket No. 14182US02)

In the Application of:

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
PROVIDING SEAMLESS  
CONNECTIVITY AND  
COMMUNICATION IN A MULTI-  
BAND MULTI-PROTOCOL  
HYBRID WIRED/WIRELESS  
NETWORK

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.114**

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Dear Sir:

This paper responds to the Decision On Appeal mailed June 23, 2011, and the Final Office Action mailed on April 3, 2008 ("Final Office Action") in the above-identified application, with a two-month reply period through August 23, 2011. The Applicant respectfully requests continued examination in the instant application and consideration of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.